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## SLAV HOSTS DRIVE BACK TEUTONS

### Russian Armies Make Greatest Allied Gains of Fortnight—Germans Retire Fifteen Miles in Galicia

London, Aug. 8.—A terrific smash by the Russians against the Austro-German front in southeastern Galicia netted the Slavs the most important gain made by the allies in more than a fortnight of fighting.

The czar's troops broke out with a heavy drive westward against the important Galician city of Stanislaw. They attacked on a seventeen mile front, crumpling the Austro-German line and capturing the town of Tlumacz, 15 miles northeast of Stanislaw, and surrounding heights. The German war office this afternoon admitted a German retirement on a front of nearly 15 miles. The enemy's lines were broken and Russian cavalry has joined in pursuing the Austro-German detachments, now in disorderly flight, Petrograd reported.

Further north, the Russians continued their advance along the Sereth river. The Russian war office announced this afternoon the capture of more than 8,000 men in the Sereth fighting of Saturday and Sunday.

The German war office also announced resumption of heavy fighting in the region east of Kovel.

British troops, in conjunction with the French, moved forward last night in an advance on the village of Guillemont, north of the Somme. The British war office announced this afternoon that the British lines have been pushed into the outskirts of the village and that fighting is proceeding around the station. Berlin says that the fighting on the Somme was favorable to Germany. The only notable reverse to the allies reported in the day's war news was the official statement from the French war office that the Germans have recaptured Thiaumont work, northeast of Verdun.

Petrograd, Aug. 8.—Russian troops have captured the Galician town of Tlumacz, 10 miles southeast of Stanislaw, in a new and most powerful offensive on the 17-mile front southeast of Lemberg. It was officially announced today.

Opening their attack in the region of Tyemienka, where there has been little activity for several weeks, the czar's troops broke through enemy trenches and then engaged the Austrians while they were retiring.

Under terrific Slav onslaughts, the whole enemy line was captured. Tlumacz and the region east of the heights along the Dniester ridge were taken. Southwest of Kolomea-Stanislaw railway, General Leitchik's artillery silenced the enemy forces, fleeing disorderly. One Russian division captured 2,000 Germans, several heavy guns and many machine guns. Prisoners are still arriving from the scene of this action.

On the Sereth river front south of Brody the Russians are continuing their advance and fortifying newly captured positions. In the fighting on this front Saturday and Sunday Russian troops captured 166 officers and 8,115 men, four cannon, 19 machine guns and 11 trench mortars.

### ESTIMATE VALUES OF OREGON GRAIN CROPS

Salem, Aug. 8.—Oregon's 1916 wheat crop is worth \$13,097,230, the state bureau of labor statistics estimates today. Oats are second, with a valuation of \$5,412,000.

## THE JITNEY LOAF OF BREAD SOON ANCIENT HISTORY

Salt Lake City, Aug. 8.—Ten-cent bread was the keynote sounded at this afternoon's session of the National Association of Master Bakers by C. N. Powers, of Pueblo, Colo.

"The overhead expense on the jitney loaf is out of all proportion to the value of the article," he said. "The interest of the consumer and producer alike will be better served by the dime loaf. It will be practically twice the weight of the present five-cent loaf, local standards prevailing. The baker cannot give the best value in nutritive, digestible bread for a nickel. The buyer has no right to expect the same value in two five-cent loaves as in one dime loaf."

T. T. Frankenburg, of Columbus, Ohio, director of the association's publicity, opposed a suggestion to increase the price of the five-cent loaf to six cents. He favored 10 cents.

"Flour has advanced 70 percent in two years and 40 percent in the last 60 days," said J. Burns of Omaha, president of the convention. "Ten-cent loaves are the only salvation of the bakers' trade. The increased price of materials makes it necessary for us to count our overhead expenses, which is the same for the dime as the nickel loaf."

In his annual address on the topic "Preparedness for the Baking Industry," Burns urged cooperation against unreasonable demands of food inspectors and unjust legislation.

## GENERAL ARMY BILL PASSED BY SENATE

Washington, Aug. 8.—With most of its foes absent, the general army bill, appropriating \$267,000,000 for national defense by land today passed the senate without a record roll call.

The total for preparedness is now \$635,784,000. This includes \$267,000,000 for the army; \$315,000,000 for the navy; \$25,000,000 for fortifications; \$1,225,000 for West Point and \$27,559,000 for general deficiency.

These figures, however, will be subject to considerable change before the session ends. Final reports on the naval bill have not been adopted and other bills still are to be acted on.

## N. Y. STREET CAR SERVICE NORMAL

New York, Aug. 8.—New York today resumed normal street car traffic after more than a week of the biggest street car strike in the city's history. Normal schedules began early today following settlement of the difficulties between employees and traction magnates at a long night session.

Although company heads refused specifically to agree to recognition of the union, the Amalgamated Association of Street and Railway Employees of America—they conceded the big issue the men fought for. This was the right of the men to unionize and promise to receive committees representing the organization.

The victory was the greatest ever won by the union. It was the third big victory in three big cities in a little over three years. The other triumphs were in Boston and Chicago. Where there was extreme violence in the Boston affair, the peaceful victory won a year ago in Chicago was expected in orderliness by the New York triumph.

## BREMEN LOST IS BERLIN REPORT

### German Newspaper Reports Submarine Freighter Sunk; Company Official Does Not Deny Rumored Disaster

Berne, Aug. 8.—The Berlin Tagelblatt announces that the German submarine freighter Bremen, which was to have arrived at an American port, has been sunk through an accident to her machinery, according to a despatch received here this afternoon.

Baltimore, Aug. 8.—When shown the despatch today, stating the submarine freighter Bremen, sister ship of the Deutschland, had been sunk, Henry H. Hilken, head of the Eastern Forwarding company, local agents of the sub-sea line here, said the report is "possibly true." Hilken said local agents of the undersea line had no knowledge when the Bremen had left for America, nor had they any word from her since sailing.

Boston, Aug. 8.—After an all-night vigil by watchers along the coast from Eastport to Boston, the anticipated arrival of another German merchant submarine failed to materialize early today. Following the report of Lowell W. Dunn, lookout at Cross Island, that he had observed two submarines rise to the surface and then submerge, the entire coast of New England was stirred to watchfulness.

It was expected that if Dunn's report was true, the mysterious craft would have been seen again or turned into a port along the main coast. Both Portsmouth and Charlestown navy yards were insistent that no United States submarines were in Maine waters and a high official of the Fore River shipyards declared that there were no British submarines in Canadian waters that might stray down the Maine coast.

## G. O. P. PRESIDENTIAL NOMINEE IS MAKING ROOSEVELTIAN CAMPAIGN

Chicago, Aug. 8.—Charles E. Hughes is out-Roosevelting Roosevelt in strenuousness of campaigning. Arriving here today, the republican nominee was fresh as a daisy after a day in Detroit that kept him on the jump, in fiercely hot weather, from early morning to late at night, including six speeches and a break-neck bit of automobile speeding around the town.

Moreover, Hughes seemed likely today to achieve a new record in Chicago for stumpers. Only one speech was scheduled—at the Coliseum where back in June the G. O. P. selected him as its candidate—but the nominee had to straighten out a slightly tangled up factional mess between republicans in Illinois, was expected to put the seal of approval on a number of campaign measures for the western fight formulated by National Chairman Willcox and it seemed likely he would have a great deal of handshaking to do.

He was slated for a conference with Chairman Willcox, Alvin T. Heri of Kentucky, western campaign manager, and national committeeman. At noon he was to hold an open handshaking performance. This afternoon he will be taken for an automobile ride of Chicago's boulevard system. Tonight he will address a

## WHEAT CROP OF NATION IS SHORT

### Cereal Output of the United States Will Be More Than One Hundred Million Bushels Under Early Estimates

Washington, Aug. 8.—A "mediocre" crop of about 654,000,000 bushels of wheat was forecast today by the department of agriculture. The crop in prospect declined 105,000,000 bushels from July to Aug. 1, it was stated.

Estimates of crop productions this year were made today by the department of agriculture as follows:

Winter wheat 455,000,000 bushels, against 555,000,000 last year.

Spring wheat, 199,000,000 bushels, against 357,000,000 last year.

All wheat 654,000,000 bushels, against 1,021,000,000 last year.

Corn, 2,777,000,000 bushels, against 3,055,000,000 last year.

Oats, 1,674,000,000 bushels against 1,540,000,000 last year.

Barley, 195,000,000 bushels against 327,000,000 last year.

Rye 91,900,000 bushels against 49,300,000 last year.

Buckwheat 17,100,000 bushels against 15,800,000 last year.

Sweet potatoes 71,300,000 bushels against 74,300,000 last year.

White potatoes 364,000,000 bushels against 359,000,000 last year.

Tobacco 1,197,000,000 pounds against 1,061,000,000 last year.

Flax 14,100,000 bushels against 13,800,000 last year.

Rice 34,200,000 bushels against 28,900,000 last year.

Hay, tame, 84,600,000 tons against 85,200,000 tons last year.

Cotton 12,900,000 bales against 11,200,000 bales last year.

Sugar beets, 7,570,000 tons against 6,510,000 last year.

Apples 71,600,000 barrels against 76,700,000 last year.

Peaches 40,300,000 bushels against 63,500,000 last year.

## AUSTRIAN AND ITALIAN SHIPS IN ADRIATIC BATTLE

Berlin, via Sayville, Aug. 8.—Austrian and Italian naval forces engaged in a fight in the Adriatic on Aug. 2, while the Austrians were returning from a raid, it was announced in an official statement from the Austrian admiralty, received here today. The Italians were hit, and turning southward disappeared.

The Austrian admiralty admitted that the Austrian torpedo boat Magnet was damaged by an enemy submarine on the same day.

"Austrian torpedo boats on Aug. 2 shelled military objects at Wolfetto, destroying an aeroplane shed, setting fire to a factory and doing damage," said the admiralty statement.

"On the return the boats were joined by the cruiser Aspern and developed an engagement with an Italian flotilla composed of one cruiser and six destroyers. The Italians were hit and turned southward and disappeared. The Austrian units returned unharmed.

"On the morning of the same day five hostile aeroplanes bombed Durazzo without any damage. They were chased by Austrian naval planes. One hostile aeroplane was shot down south of Durazzo.

The torpedo boat Magnet was attacked by an enemy submarine Aug. 2 and damaged near the stern by a torpedo. Two men were killed four wounded and several are missing. The boat was brought into port."

The Magnet is an old 500-ton vessel, built in 1896 and is listed in naval registers as a torpedo gunboat.

## GERMANS RETREAT ON EASTERN FRONT

Berlin, Aug. 8.—Under attack by strong Russian forces, German troops have been forced to fall back to previously prepared positions on the Tlumacz-Ottynia line, southeast of Stanislaw, it was officially announced this afternoon.

The whole eastern front fighting, at some places of intense character, has broken out. The engagements are growing more lively, particularly from the river Sereth south. At some places Slav attacks have been repulsed.

Near Zarecz on the river Stochod front, repeated Slav attacks were repulsed with enormous Russian losses. West of Lutsk fortress the fighting was renewed this morning.

Northwest of Zalocze on the Sereth river front Russian attacks failed and south of the same point, a German counter-attack stopped the enemy, the Germans taking 709 prisoners. German troops have extended their gains on the Bialy Czeremosz valley in the Carpathians.

Hughes just grins underneath his beard, trimmed this morning by one of the useful boys in the private car and now distinctly reveals the grin, and goes right ahead.

Everbody with whom the nominee comes in contact is interested in Mrs. Hughes. That story from Bridgehampton, that she is carrying only one hat on the trip was a base canard. It is reliably stated that there are at least three. Up to date, Mrs. Hughes has worn two different ones—both dark, but tasty looking.

Here is Hughes' own definition of why he is a candidate, announced last night at Detroit:

"Because I believed the time had come if an American wanted to have a government which represented an ideal of faithful conduct, erect in self-respect, to make our country for the future and I could do something, I should have held myself the most ignoble of men if I had not responded to that call."

## OVERTURNED AUTO KILLS TOURIST

### Resident of Raymond, Wash., Meets Death When He Loses Control of Machine on the Grave Creek Grade

William Riley Osborne, of Raymond, Washington, was instantly killed when his automobile overturned on the Grave Creek grade late Monday afternoon, the machine plunging Mr. Osborne beneath and breaking his neck. Death was practically instantaneous.

Mr. and Mrs. Osborne were returning home after a trip through the country to the south, they having been upon a vacation trip in company with a nephew, O. M. Lee, and his wife, also of Raymond. The Osbornes were traveling in the second machine about 10 minutes behind the Lees. When they were ascending the Grave Creek hill the engine of the automobile was killed, and both Mr. and Mrs. Osborne got out of the car. Mrs. Osborne blocked the car with a rock and Mr. Osborne went to crank the engine. When the engine was started it was found that the brake would not hold, and Mr. Osborne jumped into the machine to control it. The machine backed down, however, the driver losing control of it, and a front wheel went upon the bank, overturning the car in the roadway. It caught Mr. Osborne underneath as it rolled over, crushing him across the neck and shoulder, and breaking the neck. Mrs. Osborne was slightly injured by the car as it backed against her.

The body of the unfortunate man was brought to this city, Odd Fellows, of which order Mr. Osborne was a member, rendering such assistance as was possible in the premises. The body will be shipped to Raymond on train No. 16 this evening, the members of the party who were with the unfortunate man leaving Wolf Creek upon the same train to accompany the body home.

The dead man was 54 years and seven months of age, and was a millwright by trade. He was a member of both Odd Fellows and Knights of Pythias lodges.

## SOMME OFFENSIVE RESUMED BY BRITONS

London, Aug. 8.—British troops pushed their lines forward to the outskirts of the village of Guillemont in a resumption of the Somme offensive last night, General Haig reported to the war office this afternoon. Fighting is proceeding in the outskirts of the town near the railway station.

The advance was made east of Trones wood, in conjunction with the French operating north of Ardecourt on the British right wing.

The Germans last night heavily bombarded the positions won by the Australians north and northeast of Pozieres but did not resume the counter-attacks which resulted so disastrously yesterday.

London, Aug. 8.—Threatened with enforced retreat from the strong Leipsig redoubt and the fortified village of Thiepval, the Germans are making every effort to dislodge the Australians from Hill 160, standing 500 feet above the Pozieres-Thiepval highway.

A heavy bombardment of this sector of the British front followed the repulse of four German attacks in yesterday's fighting.